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Frye Announces Findings From Study of Old Mission Bay Landfill

On October 20, 2006, Councilmember Frye announced the findings of a report regarding the amount of harmful pollutants in the old Mission Bay Landfill.

As part of her announcement, Councilmember Frye said, "The work of the Mission Bay Technical Advisory Committee was a collaborative effort between my office, local experts, community activists, environmental organizations and the Environmental Services Department. By working together, we have been able to come to a number of conclusions regarding the safety of the old Mission Bay landfill to the public."

The Mission Bay Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) made major findings including:

- There is no significant discharge of contaminants from the Mission Bay Landfill into Mission Bay
- With the possible exception of mercury, no evidence of persistent environmental pollution from past industrial waste disposal was found. The possibility remains that some contaminants in unevaluated locations or materials still contained within steel drums may be released in the future.
- The landfill cap is very thin in portions of the eastern part of the landfill, which increases the chances of future discharge of landfill gases to the surface.



Based upon the finding in the report, the TAC has endorsed a number of recommendations that include additional soil cover in the eastern part of the landfill, limiting future construction to projects with small footprints and depth, converting the area into grassy park land and ongoing monitoring of the site.

The closed Mission Bay Landfill was a receptacle for toxic materials for many years, and the community has long expressed concern that the landfill may be leaking since it is not contained or lined. In August of 2002, Councilmember Frye and the Environmental Services Department began a new investigation into the current conditions at the landfill. The goal of the landfill investigation was to determine any environmental and public health issues surrounding the site. In order to help evaluate and advise the City during this investigation, Councilmember Frye convened the Mission Bay TAC. The oversight committee was comprised of technical experts and community members interested in completing a site assessment and determining appropriate cleanup measures for the landfill.

Councilmember Frye is pleased to see the conclusion of this study, and is eager to implement the recommendations developed by the TAC. She would like to recognize and thank the volunteers and employees who helped bring these health and safety issues to light in an effort to help our environment and the residents of San Diego.

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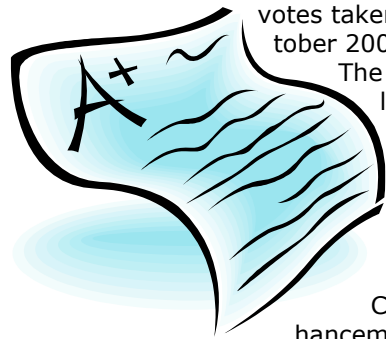
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Frye Scores Highest Grade On Clean Water Report Card

On October 18, the 34th anniversary of the federal Clean Water Act, San Diego Coastkeeper released the 2006 *Clean Water Report Card*, which examines the voting record of each City Councilmember over the past year on issues impacting the health of local waters and coastal habitat. The City received an overall 'B' grade on the 5th Annual Report Card, with three Councilmembers scoring 'A' grades, and the highest grade, an 'A+', was given to Councilmember Frye.

The Report Card, prepared by Strategic Community Consulting and commissioned by Coastkeeper, reviewed 23 votes taken by the City Council from October 2005 through September 2006.



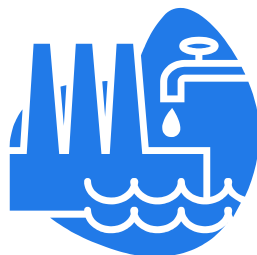
The votes considered included land-use decisions that impact urban runoff pollution (e.g. Downtown Development Plan, Regents Road Bridge, Hillel Community Center), enhancement projects (e.g. wetlands restoration, Chollas Creek and Famosa Slough enhancement), sewage and water treatment projects, habitat protection (e.g. La Jolla Children's Pool) and funding allocation for coastal protection.

Councilmember Frye, with a 100% pro-coastal voting record for 2006, has been the only Councilmember to score in the 'A' range on each of the five Report Cards.

The Report Card was initiated in 2002 as an independent assessment of the City Council on votes on issues impacting the health of our coast, bays and inland waterways in the City of San Diego. It seeks to educate San Diegans about the votes taken by Councilmembers, and increase accountability of our elected officials. The 5th anniversary version also includes a statistical analysis of whether the evaluation has had an impact on Councilmembers' votes over that time.

Strategic Community Consultants Project Manager, Todd Frank, proudly stated that, "While five years is a relatively small sample, the results from our analysis demonstrate that receipt of a bad grade on the Clean Water Report Card significantly increases the chance that City Councilmember will vote pro-environment during the subsequent year."

Councilmember Frye thanks the organizations involved for helping to raise awareness about the protection of our region's bays, beaches, watersheds and oceans for the public, as well as the elected officials.



Community Liaison Patrol Officers

Despite the loss of our individual Community Relations Officers, the San Diego Police Department has recently assigned one officer per division to help address specific community needs.



Council District Six falls into three separate police divisions. The following list provides the name and contact information for the new Community Relations Officers in District Six neighborhoods by police division:

Northern Division

Officer Raymond "Charlie" Wetzel
(858) 552-1713

Communities Include: Bay Ho, Bay Park, De Anza, North Clairemont, Mission Bay Park

Western Division

Officer James Heppell
(619) 531-1540

Communities Include: Linda Vista, West Mission Valley, Morena

Eastern Division

Officer Christina Burhans
(858) 495-7936

Communities Include: Birdland, Kearny Mesa, East Mission Valley, Mission Village, Serra Mesa

Councilmember Frye appreciates the efforts by these very busy officers in addressing our community concerns. Please contact your Community Relations Officer for public safety concerns in your neighborhood.

Tired of Abandoned Shopping Carts?

Did you know that it may be illegal to use a shopping cart to take your groceries home? California law strictly prohibits the removal of shopping carts from store premises. Despite this law, shopping carts continue to find their way from store parking lots onto city streets and alleys.



These stray carts can cause accidents and create an unattractive, blighted appearance throughout the community. Luckily the California Shopping Cart Retrieval Corporation can help.

If you see a stray cart in your neighborhood, you can have it removed by calling the retrieval hotline at (818) 563-3070. Help beautify your community... report abandoned shopping carts.



Sierra Club Announces New Environmental Initiative in Clairemont

The San Diego Chapter of the Sierra Club, in collaboration with Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project, the Soille San Diego Hebrew School, watershed groups and local residents, will restore wetlands and native habitat in Stevenson Canyon in a Clairemont neighborhood in San Diego.

The Sierra Club will restore a strategic section of Stevenson Canyon on land owned by the Soille San Diego Hebrew School. The project connects community residents and youth to their neighborhood canyon via participation in on-going habitat stewardship activities such as cleanup, removal of invasive plants, planting native species and other helpful endeavors.

Councilmember Frye is very excited about the project and stated, "I can't tell you how thrilled I am that local residents, with assistance from the Sierra Club, are joining together to restore their natural environment in Clairemont. I commend the Sierra Club and especially their Canyon Campaign. I look forward to additional restoration efforts in Council District Six."

To assist with the project, the Sierra Club was awarded \$26,000 by the Wetlands Recovery Project as part of their efforts to restore wetland resources in Southern California. The project also begins the implementation of a comprehensive restoration of the Rose Creek Watershed. The Watershed includes Clairemont, University City, Pacific Beach, Mission Beach and part of MCAS Miramar.



Sierra Club Canyon Campaign Coordinator, Eric Bowlby, is proud of this initiative and is confident that it is a major step toward increasing awareness, appreciation and ongoing community involvement in the protection and restoration of the unique canyon and creek habitats in San Diego.

Additional resources, including a map of Stevenson Canyon and a draft statement of work for the project are available upon request. For more information, contact Eric at (619) 284-9399 or email him at savewetlands@cox.net.

The Sierra Club's Canyon Campaign helps develop "Friends Groups" throughout San Diego County (34 new groups to date) into organized teams of stewards and caretakers for the unique and precious creek and canyon habitats found in their respective communities. The Friends Groups solicit and coordinate participation from neighbors, area students, and local organizations in cleaning, preserving and restoring these habitats. For more information regarding the Canyon Campaign, visit www.sandiego.sierraclub.org/canyons.

With miles of precious canyon land in District Six, Councilmember Frye is proud to have the Sierra Club's assistance in continuing the efforts to keep these beautiful resources clean and healthy.

Frye Supports & Joins Mayor in Signing Climate Protection Agreement

On October 27, 2006, Mayor Sanders, Council President Peters and Councilmember Frye announced San Diego's inclusion in the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement. The Agreement is an initiative that was unanimously endorsed by the US Conference of Mayors, urging US cities to follow the principles of the Kyoto Protocol, despite the fact that the federal government has not yet ratified the Protocol.



Participating mayors who sign this agreement are making a commitment to meet or beat Kyoto Protocol targets in their own cities by increasing energy efficiency and water conservation, reducing vehicular miles traveled, maintaining healthy urban forests, promoting the use of clean, renewable energy resources and reducing sprawl, among other goals.

Councilmember Frye has been pushing for San Diego's involvement with this agreement for several years, so she was pleased to be able to sign the document along with the Mayor and Council President. She will continue to identify methods to reach the goals of the agreement through the Natural Resources & Culture Committee, which she chairs.



Linda Vista Second Baptist Church 63rd Anniversary Celebration

Councilmember Frye joined Reverend David C. Greene and members of the Linda Vista 2nd Baptist Church on September 24 as they celebrated the 63rd Anniversary of that congregation. Among other services to the community, 2nd Baptist sponsors educational scholarships, visits people in local jails, assists with area rehabs and shelters, provided housing Katrina victims, and is currently raising funds for a new sanctuary.



If you get a chance to visit the Church, Councilmember Frye recommends that you stay to check out the wonderful Choir!



Donna is pictured above with the Mothers of the Church (from left to right): Doris Floyd, Wilma Ellis, Georgia Clipper, Dorothy Booker, Eula M. Norwood, Colinia Baskins, Ernestine McDowell, Gloria Spalding and Alfreda Macy.



Councilmember Frye with Reverend David C. Greene.

Mission Valley Library Events in November

Adult Book Club

Monday, November 20, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

The Book Club will be discussing The Emancipator's Wife by Barbara Hambly. New members are always welcome to attend and participate! The Book Club asks that you read the book beforehand. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk while supplies last. Come join the discussion and have fun!



"Day of the Dead" Display

November 1-15, Display Case

Learn more about the Mexican holiday, Day of the Dead (Día de los Muertos), which is an annual 3-day event to honor and celebrate loved ones who have passed away.

Free Storytimes for Children

Mondays at 3:30 pm

Bilingual Spanish/English Toddler Art & Music Class

Tuesdays at 10:30 am

Baby-Toddler Time (Infants - 2 years)

Cada Martes a las 11:00 am

Spanish Storytime (Infante - 2 años)

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Pre-school Storytime (3 - 5 years)





Join Us For the Kearny Mesa - Serra Mesa Library Opening!

Join Councilmember Donna Frye and Mayor Jerry Sanders to open the Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library at 9005 Aero Drive on Saturday, December 2nd at 10 am. See you there!



Can't make the opening? Check out the library during their new hours:

Sundays 1pm - 5 pm
Mondays and Wednesdays 12:30 pm - 8 pm
Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Fridays 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Saturdays 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Frye Recognizes Tops Cleaners for Re-Opening & New Façade

On October 25, 2006, Councilmember Frye, with public and private representatives and Morena district business owners, celebrated the storefront revitalization of Tops Cleaners, after the business suffered a major accident in January when a car tore into the business and wrecked the entire storefront.

After the incident, Councilmember Frye contacted the owner, Ted Nestor, to inform him of the City's Storefront Improvement Program and urge him to contact program managers to see if he would be eligible for a rebate to rebuild.



Through a collaboration with Councilmember Frye's office, the City of San Diego's Redevelopment Agency, Economic and Community Development Department, the storefront improvements are finally complete and Ted will be receiving a check for \$10,000 towards the new façade!

For many years, the City of San Diego and the council districts have partnered on various projects and programs, attempting to tap into the various business districts to create better opportunities for local citizens and business and property owners. For further information about the program and how you may be eligible to receive up to \$10,000 for the improvement of your storefront, contact Program Manager, Rob Barnes, at (619) 533-7408 or email Rob at RDBarnes@sanidiego.gov.



Scott Kessler, Deputy Director of the Economic and Community Development Department, introduced the SIP (left); Councilmember Frye presented owner and operator of Tops Cleaners, Ted Nestor, with a commendation (center); and Andrea Tevlin, the City's Independent Budget Analyst, said a few words about the program as well (right).



Linda Vista Fire Station Receives Much Needed Facelift!



On Saturday, October 28th, Councilmember Frye visited the Linda Vista Fire Station to support Rebuilding Together San Diego volunteers as they provided the station with a much-needed facelift!

Volunteers began at 8:00 am, painting the exterior of the building and the fascia, turning the dated fire station into a facility that the community is now proud to have.

In partnership with volunteers, donors and organizations, Rebuilding Together San Diego revitalizes homes and neighborhoods for low-income homeowners and communities in need, especially the elderly and disabled; helping them to live in warmth, safety and independence. Councilmember Frye thanks all the dedicated volunteers who took time out of their Saturday to help.





Important Phone Numbers

Abandoned Vehicles	858 495-7856
Animal Regulation	619-236-4250
Beach & Bay Advisory	619-338-2073
Birth and Death Records	619-237-0502
Brush Abatement	619-533-4444
Building Permits	619-446-5000
Buses/MTS Access	619-233-3004
Canyon Watchers Program	858 292-6484
City Council Docket Info	619-533-4000
City Directory	619-236-5555
Community Service Center	858 581-4111
Code Violations	619-236-5500
Curb Maintenance	619-527-7500
Dead Animal Removal	858 694-7000
Dog Licenses	619-767-2675
Fire Stations	619-533-4300
Graffiti	619-525-8522
Hazardous Materials Hotline	858 694-7000
Housing Commission	619-231-9400
Humane Society	619-299-7012
Libraries	
Balboa	858 573-1390
Clairemont	858 581-9935
Linda Vista	858 573-1399
North Clairemont	858 581-9931
Serra Mesa	858 573-1396
Litter Control	858 492-5010
Noise Regulation	619-236-5500
Office of Small Business	619-685-1390
Park and Recreation	619-525-8219
Parking Citations	619-236-7145
Police: Non-Emergency	619-531-2000
Pot Hole Hotline	619-527-7500
Recreation Centers	
Kearny Mesa	858 573-1387
Linda Vista	858 573-1392
North Clairemont	858 581-9926
Serra Mesa	858 573-1408
South Clairemont	858 581-9924
Tecolote	858 581-9930
Recycling Hotline	858 694-7000
Senior Citizens Services	619-236-6905
Serra Mesa Community Connection	858 565-2473
Sewer Repair/Spills	619-515-3525
Sidewalk Maintenance	619-527-7500
Stormwater Pollution Hotline	619-235-1000
Street Lights	619-527-7500
Street Sweeping	619-527-7500
Traffic Control	619-533-3126
Tree Maintenance	619-527-7500
Water Emergency	619-515-3525
Water Utilities	619-515-3500
Zoning Regulation Info	619-236-5555

District Six Community Meetings

Balboa Avenue Citizens Advisory Committee

Place: Clairemont Community Service Center,
4731 Clairemont Drive
When: 4th Wednesday/Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Clairemont Town Council

Place: Clairemont High School Cafeteria,
4150 Ute Drive
When: 1st Thursday/Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Clairemont Mesa Planning Committee

Place: Clairemont Friendship Senior Center,
4425 Bannock Ave.
When: 3rd Tuesday/Month
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Kearny Mesa Planning Group

Place: National University,
9388 Light Wave # 114
When: 3rd Wednesday/Month
Time: 12:00 p.m.

Linda Vista Civic Association

Place: Baha'i Center
6545 Alcala Knolls Drive
When: 3rd Thursday/Month
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Linda Vista Planning Group

Place: Linda Vista Library,
2160 Ulric Street
When: 4th Monday/Month
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Mission Bay Park Committee

Place: Rotating Venue
When: 1st Tuesday/Month
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Mission Valley Community Council

Place: Mission Valley Library,
2123 Fenton Parkway
When: 3rd Wednesday/Odd Months
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Mission Valley Unified Planning Committee

Place: Mission Valley Library,
2123 Fenton Parkway
When: 1st Wednesday/Month
Time: 12:00 p.m.

Serra Mesa Community Council

Place: ARC, 9575 Aero Drive
When: 4th Wednesday/Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Serra Mesa Planning Group

Place: Taft Junior High School,
9191 Gramercy Dr.
When: 3rd Thursday/Month
Time: 7:00 p.m.



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